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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OREP, CH, US

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL TRAVEL TO PRC

REF: STATE 146699

1. CH'EN TA-YUNG CALLED ON GLEESTEEN (WITH SOLOMON)  
JUNE 23 TO GIVE PEKING'S REPLY ON SCHEDULING OF CONGRES-  
SIONAL DELEGATIONS DISCUSSED REFTEL.

2. CH'EN SAID THAT PEKING HAD DECIDED THAT THE OFFICIAL  
DELEGATION SHOULD ARRIVE PEKING AUGUST 20 OR 21 (NO RPT NO  
EARLIER THAN AUGUST 20) FOR TWO-WEEK STAY. PERCY/JAVITS  
GROUP WOULD THEN VISIT PEKING AUGUST 1-15.

3. GLEESTEEN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CHANGE, BUT  
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EXPLORED WHETHER OFFICIAL DELEGATION MIGHT ARRIVE IN PEKING

A BIT EARLIER. CH'EN SAID THAT PERCY/JAVITS HAD ALSO REQUESTED AUGUST VISIT, AND CHINESE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS (CPIFA) NEEDED A FEW DAYS' BREAK BETWEEN GROUPS.

4. GLEYSTEN SAID PRC'S RESPONSE WOULD BE REPORTED TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

5. CH'EN SAID THAT PRCLO HAD NOT YET DISCUSSED THE TIMING WITH PERCY/JAVITS, BUT THOUGHT THAT THEY TOO WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTIES WITH TRIP BEGINNING BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL RECESS. HE THEN ASKED FOR NAMELIST OF THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION. GLEYSTEN AND SOLOMON ASSURED HIM THAT AS SOON AS THE WHITE HOUSE HAD HAD A CHANCE TO CONTACT THE MEMBERS OF CONGRESS INVOLVED, A FIRM LIST WOULD BE PROVIDED.

6. IN ANSWER TO GLEYSTEN'S QUESTION, CH'EN CONFIRMED THAT EACH DELEGATIONS WOULD TOTAL NO MORE THAN FIFTEEN, ALL-INCLUSIVE.

7. WHITE HOUSE IS NOW PROCEEDING TO ORGANIZE DELEGATION ON THE ASSUMPTION OF A LATE AUGUST VISIT. FIRM TIMING, NAMELIST, AND OTHER DETAILS WILL BE PROVIDED ASAP.  
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